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LOK SABHA

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CROPS AFFECTED DUE TO INCREASING TEMPERATURE IN WINTER
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the increasing temperature during winter this year is likely to affect the rabi crops and apples;

(b) if so, the assessment made thereon; and

(c) the contingence plan made by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) to (c): The higher temperature during February, 2006 has been reported to affect the productivity of some crops especially wheat in some Northern and Eastern States of the country. The actual loss can be assessed after harvesting. To minimize the effect of rising temperature on crops, the farmers have been advised to undertake frequent light irrigation.